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(57) Abstract

Multilayer anti-microbial materials formed to produce an interference colour, and thus an indicator of anti-microbial effect, are provided. The materials include a partly reflective base layer and a partly reflective, partly transmissive top layer balanced to produce an interference colour. The top layer is formed from an anti-microbial metal with atomic disorder. Dissolution or a change in composition of the top layer on contacting an alcohol or electrolyte causes a change in optical path length so as to produce a change in the interference colour of the material. Multilayer, laminated wound dressings are also provided. The dressing includes a first and second layer, and preferably a third layer. The first and third layers are formed of perforated, non-adherent materials and most preferably carry an anti-microbial coating as above. The second layer is sandwiched between the first and third layers and is formed of an absorbent material. At least one of the layers is formed from a plastic material. The layers are laminated together by ultrasonic welds spaced intermittently on the dressing to allow the dressing to be cut to size with delaminating.

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1. Claims: 1-26 and 30-46 (all completely),
27-29 (all partially)

A multilayer antimicrobial material comprising:

- a base layer capable of generating interference colour when covered with a partly reflective, partly transmissive top layer,
- such a top layer in a interference colouring generating thickness, having a refractive index different from that of the base layer, containing an antimicrobial metal in sufficient atomic disorder to provide in contact with alcohol or water based electrolytes a localized antimicrobial effect;
- a process for producing such a multilayer antimicrobial material
- a wound dressing comprising a layer coated with said multilayer antimicrobial material

2. Claims: 27-29 (all partially)

A multilayer, laminated wound dressing, comprising:

- a first layer of a perforated, non-adherent material
- a second layer of an absorbent material

the first and second and optional third layer, of which at least one is of a plastic material, are laminated together by ultrasonic welds spaced intermittently on the dressing so as to allow the dressing to be cut down in size without causing delamination.

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